

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, Sergeant David Bruce Bleak was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in Minari-gol, Korea on June 14, 1952; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bleak felt and stated on numerous occasions that he did not wear the Medal of Honor for himself, but that he wore it for the people of the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bleak has been called to duty elsewhere and has left this mortal existence; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Bleak was desirous that his Medal of Honor be given to the people of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2006, the anniversary of his heroic action in Korea, Sergeant Bleak's widow, Mrs. Lois Bleak, will donate his Medal of Honor to the Idaho Military History Museum where it will be placed on public display for the people of Idaho to see and appreciate;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES E. RISCH, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby officially proclaim June 14, 2006, as

SERGEANT DAVID BRUCE BLEAK DAY

I encourage the citizens of Idaho to join in this observance by supporting all efforts to preserve Sergeant Bleak's place in Idaho's history.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 14th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and six and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

JAMES E. RISCH GOVERNOR

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